

REMARKS

Claims 13-29 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, new claims 18-29 are added.

The November 29 response provided arguments regarding patentability of claims 13-17. Applicant respectfully submits that new independent claims 19 and 26 define patentable subject matter for at least similar reasons. That is, new independent claim 19 recites a control device to request data relating to a broadcasting program and to receive the data and a storage device to store the received data, the received data including a start time and a finish time of the broadcasting program. The applied references, such as Brown, Greenberg and Matthews do not teach or suggest that the received data includes a start time and a finish time of the broadcasting program as recited in independent claim 19 (and similarly recited in independent claim 26). Accordingly, each of independent claims 19 and 26 define patentable subject matter.

Claims 20-24 depend from claim 19 and claims 27-29 depend from claim 26 and therefore define patentable subject matter at least for this reason.

CONCLUSION

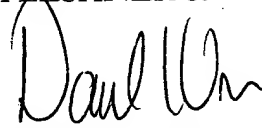
In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of claims 13-29 are earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, **David C. Oren**, at the telephone number listed below.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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